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Examiner: Johannes P. Mondt

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND A
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, as revised on February 4, 1992, 1135 OG 23-24, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(i) copies of cited US patent and US patent application publications are not submitted herewith. Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature documents are enclosed herewith for the Examiner's consideration.

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